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EDITORIAL NOTES AND COMMENTS

We are under many obligations to Bro. J. F. Mitchell, of Center Grove, Miss., for substantial work for the paper. May he have every needed blessing.

Christmas has passed with less casualties than usual. This is right. There is no reason why the day should be disgraced by drug peddlars and brutal fights. Clarion-Ledger. Nothing singular in that. No saloons, you know. So may it ever be in the capital of our great State.

Why is it that the very people who procure high tariff laws for protection now that they are big rich, make such a clamor against the income tax law calling it class legislation? If the last law is class legislation so is the first. But all the difference in the world is in whose ox is gored.

Bro. W. J. Derrick is now pastor at Okolona, in this State. A decline in health forced him out of the Seminary into more active exercise and work. His correspondents will observe this. We are glad to have him at work in Mississippi and wish him the fullest of the divine blessing and the largest success in his new field.

Bro. Geo. Wharton goes back to North Carolina. It seems difficult to get a Mississippiian who has changed his "room" ever entirely to break away from the old North State. But all the same we wish him all of the good cheer and large success in his work as he was yet in Mississippi. His correspondents would do well to make a note of this.

The working men and some other people don't see it, yet it is a shameful fact that a distillery in a certain country with a capital of \$150,000 employs only 150 men, while an iron factory not far away with the same amount of capital employs 3,000 men. Yet for all that they blow it around that distilleries and breweries give employment to laboring men. It is simply the logic of the wit.

We see it reported, with signs of approval, that the wife of a somewhat noted Englishman has suggested that the women stop all of their efforts at reform until they have secured the fullest degree of suffrage. It is somewhat astonishing to what extremes some people will go to force a point. But the dear soul will undoubtedly find out that all true reforms will go on, whether some women will or won't.

We wonder what is the matter with the Northern newspapers, that they are not pouring out whole tubs of pious wrath, in denunciation of the Woman's Club of Chicago, for not receiving the colored woman who recently petitioned for membership. If it had been in the South they would most likely have made the air murky with their sulphurous smoke.

It now appears that the Chinese have just found out that the arms and ammunition they have been using are of the oldest patterns and poorest quality. Knowing this, they have gone to work to get the most approved arms and ammunition and to organize their armies on the most modern and scientific principles with trained European officers. When this has been done we shall probably hear different reports from the "war in the east."

The New Orleans Picayune very highly commends a Catholic priest for denouncing the habit of carrying concealed weapons, in a discourse delivered at the funeral of a man killed in a row in a saloon. Just how that priest did not happen to think of giving the saloon a lick or severer rounding up, we don't know. It seems to us, the saloon and its satanic instruments and influences which no doubt was mainly responsible, was the thing first of all and above all to be denounced. But alas, the Catholics don't see it so.

HOME MISSIONS.

It seems to us that some of our people, if not many of them, lose sight of the great importance of our home mission work as conducted by the Home Mission Board at Atlanta, Ga.

There are two reasons, yes, three, why we should give that board and its work our most earnest prayers and help. 1. The great work it has done. Besides the great multitude of converts and new churches in remote places, on the frontier in the Indian Territory, and in Cuba, it has, by its timely and judicious help, put many of our largest and best churches on a firm basis and helped them, not only up to self-support but into money some of the most liberal supporters of all of our State and national churches.

2. The vast field of destitution that looms up in so many places, and the number of weak and struggling churches, representing of progressive centers, and which, under the circumstances, can only be reached and helped in any measure by that board and its mission work. All of our future work, home and foreign, depends upon the strength and liberality of our churches; and we ought to do our best to help such a help, as the Home Board has been and is to-day, to help our weak churches into both self-helpfulness and fellow-helpfulness, for future work.

3. The brethren, it is just what the Master needs when he says: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." We should feel under the same obligations to send the gospel to the home field as we do to the foreign. Be sure to read that ringing appeal from Dr. Tichenor and the board in this number of The Record, and make haste to send them a contribution and the Lord will bless you in it.

Several of our denominational papers seem to be renewing their youth, at any rate as to form and increase in size or improved in material—well, no doubt they have. Among them are The Western Recorder, good enough it was. The Journal and Messenger, already hard to beat, Indiana Baptist, one of the best, not to mention The Examiner, always at hand and the Florida Witness, which has built itself a new house. The Baptist Record rejoices in all these signs of progress in its confederates and bids them Godspeed in their good work.

There is a wide and welcome gap between the recent statistics, that the consumption of intoxicating liquors is largely on the increase, and that local option and prohibition were never so far advanced. The first deliverance seems to come from the people who have a material interest in the liquor traffic, while the last is a matter of public record. Most likely who is right? Judge ye who will.

"The great Southern atrocity"—the incendiary (?) burning of the colored school buildings at Little Rock, Ark., Columbia, S. C., and Texas—so recklessly charged and published to the world by the Home Mission Monthly has turned out, as such things usually do, to be the unassisted vapors of that reckless journal. What an everlasting pity it is, that some people have so little use for the truth.

We give the article by Dr. T. E. Bell, from the Biblical Recorder by his request and are glad to have him set forth the matters of the Sunday School Board as he wishes before our readers. The work of that board we regard as among those of most importance to our denominational progress and think the more our people know of it and its workings the better they will like it.

How does what Dr. Tichenor says about Mississippi and the Home Board in this Record strike you. Turn and read it again, and then consider: Have we done what we could? Surely we have not. Any way, let us make another effort, a real earnest one, all along the line; and if possible reach the figures he has set which certainly is little enough.

OUR FIELD GLASS.

Rev. G. W. Green, one of our missionaries in China, is represented as favoring the translation of "baptize" in Chinese dialects as "washing, ordinance," or "water rite," on which all denominations can agree. Knowing G. W. Green as we do, having graduated in the Seminary by his side, and in his class, it is hard to believe his statement concerning him; and we wait for confirmation.—Rev. L. E. Hall, Hattiesburg, is a hard-working man in the vineyard of the Lord. His average regular work is a sermon every two days, and other work corresponding. He has on his hands more work than five men can do.—Rev. J. E. Campbell, Greensboro, Ga., is "in clover." He says: "Besides many other good things, my church, presided over by a \$50 tailor-made suit of clothes Christmas. Yesterday a good sister put in my hands \$100, saying: 'I want my pastor to have what money he needs. I can't bear for him to be cramped.'"

For about three weeks the weather has been wintry and our streets unusually muddy. The latter fact is largely the result of laying sewerage pipes and heavy rains. There has also been a good deal of ice and some snow. It is hoped that the cold has come in its time so that later the fruit will not be killed. Of course new is scarce, and what there is seems rather gloomy. Congress is doing nothing to relieve the financial condition of the country. Unless there is some relief soon, the South and West will be forced into bankruptcy. Politics has well high carried us to destruction. A few statesmen are needed. Corruption is barbed and perjury is a crying evil; threatening the very foundations of social life and government.

Privileges and questionable amusements have seized upon "society" Christians are practically ostracized unless they yield to the dancing and card-playing mania, and such like. There is but one remedy, and that is, organize in the contrary direction. Otherwise our churches will soon lose their spiritual power and drift into ritualism or oblivion. Bibles are being read like a newspaper—few are studied in search of truth. Light literature, so-called, and some that is vicious is being systematically poured over by the young.

Speaking of books, Elder O. D. Bowen has just published an address, the title, "The Baptists, What They Believe and Why They Believe It." It is clear, concise and comprehensive, and very cheap—only 10 cents. Send for it, brethren, and put it in circulation. Bro. Bowen's postoffice is Ellisville, this State. As Baptists, we need a Sunday School Hymn Book. Undenominational books are substituting church hymns in regular service and a simple, short catechism is still wanted—one for the infant classes. If with these, we would inaugurate a system of colportage, much evil might be averted.

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CORRESPONDENCE WITH THESE COLUMNS.

gentlemen will meet with courteous treatment and they will give attention to personal calls for information.—The Orphanage work grows more encouraging. All receipts have been sent privately, and the total sum in bank is now \$100 with, perhaps, \$100 ready at any moment if it is needed. May heaven's blessings rest upon all contributors of money and kind words.—The Western Recorder and Journal and Messenger this week join the column of papers which have assumed the magazine form.—We beg to again call attention to the skill and cheapness in the work of Bro. S. B. Terry, artist, Winona, Miss. For a tiny fee he is doing copy work or of pictures remarkably cheap. Give him one trial, and be convinced.

CHRONICLES.

L. A. D.

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CAPT. W. W. GEORGE FOR STATE TREASURER.

Capt. W. W. George, President of the National Bank, of this city, is announced as a candidate for State Treasurer. It is to state to its readers who may not know him, that he is eminent for the place. He is a character a gentleman of good character and standing and an excellent financier whose splendid ability ought to be in the service now.

We would just such men at the head of affairs of State—men of character and men of ability, and especially such a man as Capt. W. W. George. Every citizen interested in getting the best possible talents and other qualifications for that office. Capt. George comes up to the full measure of the requirements.

QUERY.

Dr. J. J. Sample, Summit, Miss.: Dear Brother:—I have a question to ask you which I hope you will answer in The Record. It is right for Christians to attend circuses or shows that are traveling through our country? Does not the immoral influence attending these shows make it an objectionable place for Christians and their families to visit? Please give me your views on this subject, and oblige.

S. T. VAN NORMAN, ANSWER.

I have thought sometimes that it would be a good thing for Christians to go to such places, once at least. We all like to be assured and have evidences that we are Christians, heirs of heaven and joint heirs with Christ. And just as surely Christians go to a circus or anything of that sort, they will be made to feel so mean and so much ashamed of themselves for going that they will never want to go again. When a Christian goes to a circus he is certain to feel ashamed of himself and repent for the unholy pleasures and very

or worse, he goes to such things and does not feel in their hearts that they have done wrong, and feel that they would have given more than the entrance fee if they had remained at home, and did not feel that they were in a place, while there, not fit for a Christian to be in, such a place of good and lawful reasons to doubt whether they have any interest whatever in the meritorious work of a crusaded Saviour. "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this: To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction." This is half of it only. We may do all this and yet not be religious. Now comes the other half. "And to keep himself unspotted from the world." A Christian may go to a circus, and if he is not ashamed of it afterwards he certainly has a very poor idea of Christianity to say the least of it. God is truth, the man or woman who loves the circus and such vain worldly amusements are not different from other people who make no profession of religion and do not claim to be children of God. To go to such places is to become a party in the matter of promoting and encouraging some of the most debased and immoral influences known to Christian civilization. Bro. Bowen, when you were in the circus did you quietly offer a prayer that the Holy Spirit might visit and change the heart of the clown, and out of the circus ring and in an instrument for better

Clifton, Miss., Jan. 10.

STATE MISSIONS.

In Dec. '93, amt rec'd, \$253.33
To Jan. '94, amt rec'd, 322.85
\$576.17
In Dec. '94, \$88.80
To Jan. 10, '95, 218.00
\$801.80

The missionaries who look on these figures will understand why I was able to send money last winter and this winter and have not been able to help them more.

Only three names represented in the first statement are found also in the second. Have all those who helped so liberally then, forgotten that their expenses are going on now in about the same ratio? The work of our missionaries is not a thing as a dirty, filthy, lowly to come around and be able to amuse and entertain. When you saw a young girl, dressed more like a cannibal, land, fly with a band, standing to place her hand on the head of a poor fellow, how did you feel, especially you looked about and saw your own little daughter perspiring? Did you pray that this girl may be converted to God and saved from a future life of shame and misery? To put it in a nutshell, when you went to the circus with your family did you do the glory of God? And what an influence did you exert upon others, as a professed Christian, by going? Here I leave the question, trusting that the Holy Spirit may use what has been said.

J. R. SAMPLE.

The advertisement of Lexington College, which appears in this issue of the paper and which children to educate, with Messrs. Dickey and

I CAN TELL—NO. 2.

In THE RECORD of January 3, I was not clearly understood. I said I could tell where there is an opening for a Baptist furniture dealer, and where there is a good town without a Baptist doctor. I could also give the name of a Baptist school teacher who would like a place. I can name several such now. Also a good preacher who would come to the State for a living. I can name quite a number now.

Also I could give the address of a music teacher. I can now give the address of several. And a young lady who would like a good home. Family. A girl could put several such in correspondence with those who desire their presence. So if any worthy girl or woman desires a home where they may earn a living and be well situated they can write me. NOTE—Some who write enclose stamps, some do not. I am serving the wise. A hint to the wise is sufficient.

This experience makes me think of establishing an Information Bureau. Do you need anything? write me.

O. L. HAILLEY, Oxford, Miss.

We have just received a handsome bound copy of 64 splendid photographic views of many of the most important World's Fair buildings, from N. D. Thompson Publishing Company, St. Louis, Mo. You could not do better than to send for those views and keep them as mementos of the world's greatest exposition, and of the progress of the Nineteenth Century.

GRATEFUL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

DEAR BRO. HACKETT:—Since the loss of my home by fire on the night of December 20, I have received many letters of tenderest sympathy from friends in this and other States. These letters are too numerous for me to answer individually, and hence I take this method of replying through The Record.

I appreciate the generous and kindly sympathy thus extended to me in my overwhelming loss. Especially do I thank those friends who have rendered material aid in my time of distress. My beautiful home is gone, but there are some things in this world more beautiful than even the most beautiful home. Such is the tender, generous, gushing sympathy of friends in one's hour of calamity. It is Christ-like, it is holy. May we all, the sympathizing and the suffering, eventually find an abode in the better home above, "the house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens."

W. S. WEBB, Clifton, Miss., Jan. 10.

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Yours truly, A. PRICE.

CONDOLENCE.

Whereas, On Dec. 20, 1894, God, joining the actions of infinite love with inscrutable designs of infinite wisdom, took unto Himself our beloved schoolmate, Joe Hughes, of Greenwood, Miss.; therefore be it Resolved, That we, the students of Mississippi College, hereby extend to the family of the deceased

LEBANON ASSOCIATION, ATTENTION!

The minutes have been delayed for the following reasons: 1. I was engaged in two meetings which kept me busy and away from home after the organization at Hattiesburg on Nov. 27th, till Dec. 25th. 2. The holidays had thrown the printers behind with their work, so that it was about two weeks before I got the proof. 3. Now they are in the hands of the binder and will be out the last of this week when they will be promptly sent out.

Meanwhile only \$25 of \$45 cost has been paid. If you have churches have as yet sent nothing. Brethren, attend to this at once so that there will be no debt.

CHAS. G. ELLIOTT, Clerk of Lebanon Association, Meridian, Miss., Jan. 15, 1895.

A note from Bro. E. B. Miller, of Arkadelphia, Ark., tells of an abiding interest in Mississippi Baptist affairs. We are glad to learn of the great prosperity that crowns the work of our brother in his new field. A splendid baptismal scene in and on the Ouchita with 2,000 spectators and fifty converts recently closed a great revival meeting. May the Lord prosper his servants more and more.

FROM OSYKA.

DEAR RECORD:—I entered upon my work here as pastor of the First Street Baptist church, one month ago. We have preaching on the first Sunday in each month, an active Sunday School, under the faithful supervision of Dr. Wm. Jones and a live prayer-meeting. The Lord's chosen ones have shown me a great deal of kindness since I entered the ministry, but I have never met with more kindness among any people than I have received from the brethren and sisters of Osyka since I came among them. May the Lord graciously reward them. The work before us is great; but I feel encouraged because the church appears to have a mind to work. Under the guiding and sustaining power of the Holy Spirit, we hope to go forth conquering and to conquer.

Bro. John Thompson leaves Byhalia for New Albany, Miss., and will serve the church at that place for on-half of his time. Myrtle and Red Banks churches nearby will engage the other two Sundays. May the Lord's best blessings be upon our brother and his new people for a great and blessed work this year.

In a private note, Bro. Lovejoy, of Beena Vista, says: "I have the same work this year as last, having been called unanimously by all the churches. The harvest is ripe for glorious years' work for the Master. The churches are all looking for and praying for a great ingathering of souls. Preached to two large congregations at this place on last Sunday, both services were truly spiritual. We have paid all the debt on our church but about fifteen dollars which we want to pay as quickly as possible. THE RECORD improves with every number. Pray for us at this place and may the Lord bless you."

Many thanks, dear brother, for your kind words, and may you never fail of the divine favor and blessing.

FIRST.

The Young Leader was the first Sunday School periodical issued by the American Baptist Publication Society, and ever since its first appearance, in 1857, it has steadily advanced in favor. It has no other competitors. It goes like God's sunshine into our schools. It makes glad the hearts of our boys and girls. We get both excellence and cheapness in The Young Leader. Its thirty-four years of honest work and honorable history entitles it to great consideration, and it has it.

DEAR BRO. HACKETT:—Please allow me to say that I have just read Brother Bowen's "What Baptists Believe and Why They Believe It" and I am constrained to say that I have seen nothing better from any source. It is simple, honest, true and faithful. It will do much good (and no harm) and ought to go everywhere. Let us push it along in its mission for the truth.

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our profound sympathy for the deep personal affliction and our sincere condolence for their late bereavement.

2. That we cherish a grateful remembrance of his many virtues; his genial disposition, kindly bearing, and many Christian graces, and we deeply mourn that his life should close so suddenly in the midst of so many prospects of usefulness and honor.

3. That a copy of these resolutions be communicated to the family of deceased and also a copy be sent for publication to College Magazine, Greenwood Times, Baptist Magazine, and Baptist Record.

J. J. WATKINS, WALKER, Secretary, H. P. HURT, J. P. HARRINGTON, Committee.

To the Pastors and Sunday School workers of Pearl River, Fair River, Strong River, Bogue Chitto, Carey, and Union Associations:

DEAR BROTHERS:—I propose to devote from about the 20th of February to the middle of May, to your Associations, and thence to other fields northward in our State, I travel in my buggy and work in the country. I am anxious to secure a Sunday School in every church and neighborhood in our State.

Will you please write me about your fields, giving me a list of churches in your Association that have no Sunday Schools, also the name and postoffice of some good brother at those places, who I can write to. I am working now in the most destitute portions of Mississippi, and organizing Sunday Schools right along. Brethren write to me, I am in blood earnest.

Your brother, B. N. HATCH, Sunday School Evangelist, Summit, Miss.

A GOOD BOOK COMMENDED.

DR. R. A. VENABLE'S VALUABLE PRODUCTION.

DEAR RECORD:—I am always grateful to anyone who calls my attention to a good book, and for this reason I have taken the liberty to commend to you a book that I have recently read.

The title is appropriate and yet there is no reason why it should not become "The Hand-Book" of the preacher as well. Most of us would become greatly refreshed in church polity and practice by carefully studying these subjects as presented by Dr. Venable.

The chapter on "Creeds and Confessions" is exceedingly helpful for those who have not access to the literature on this subject. The authorities on this subject cited throughout the book are skillfully introduced and handled. The author has a splendid library and knows how to use it. "Ekklesia (church)" is well defined and references to the Bible and other authorities, which corroborate its teachings, are pointed and clear.

I would call especial attention to the chapters upon the "Constitution" and "Officers of the New Testament Churches." It would be a beneficent act for some one to present this book as a present to all the Baptist deacons in Mississippi with the request that they read what is said about "deacons." The remaining chapters on "Ordinances," "Polity" and "The Mission of a Church" deserve the closest study.

The book is published by The Baptist Book Concern, of Louisville, Ky. It is printed on good paper, in vigorous English. It has 202 pages and sells for the low price of one dollar, which should ensure the wide circulation it merits.

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FROM MARLIN, TEXAS.

DEAR BRO. HACKETT:—I have just come into possession of the news of Bro. Joe Hughes' sad death and want to say a word about him through THE RECORD. In the summer of 1892 I was at Searcy for rest and recuperation, and while there was in Bro. Hughes' home a great part of the time. Joe was a small boy, about twelve years old, at that time. My attention was called to him by his father who, with myself, examined him as to his knowledge of the Bible, Mythology and History and I found him to be by far the brightest boy of his age I ever saw. In fact, I never knew anyone else who could answer any question put to him so accurately as he could. It seemed that he forgot nothing he ever read. He was not only a bright boy, of promising possibilities in intellectuality, but he was a good Christian. He had a sense of honor above boys of his age. He had an abhorrence of anything that was dishonest and busied himself in doing them. Taken all the way through, he was one of the most promising little boys I ever knew. His death was sad but hundreds of Christian hearts go out in sympathy for his parents, and many many prayers go up to God for His sustaining grace for them. May He keep and comfort them in their bereavement.

M. K. THORNTON.

Marlin, Texas, Jan. 8, 1895.

FROM OKOLONA.

DEAR BRO. HACKETT:—I am rejoiced to answer through the columns of THE RECORD, that we have secured the services of Bro. W. J. Derrick, to serve as pastor for his full time for 1895. He preached his first two sermons Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m., much to the edification of all who heard him. I believe from what I have seen and know of him he is the right man in the right place, for which we thank God and take courage. May the Lord bless you and THE RECORD. Pray for us that we may be a bright and shining light to the upbuilding of Christ's kingdom here upon earth.

Yours in Christ,

J. S. DUGGER.

P. S.—Come to the Association when it convenes with us next October.

W. J. D.

We hope to be there.—Eds.

"A FRIEND."

This is the signature to a welcome letter received from San Pedro, Cal. Welcome, in the main, because it brings

the little article in THE RECORD, asking the pastors and friends to help build your church, by sending you what they can spare. My sister and I enclose \$1 each; wish we could send more. Many thanks, dear friends. The money went direct into the treasury for the building. But what about all those churches and "friends" of our own State, to whom those circular letters have been sent, asking for a little help? Of course your pastors, through whom they were sent, have delivered them. You could not afford to refuse this. You do not mean to disappoint us by neglecting this important matter of this struggling mission work. One dollar from each church is all we ask.

DEAR PASTORS:—Really, have you presented this matter to your churches at all? Have you?

J. F. BYNUM,

Ecatawpa, Miss.

FROM JACINTO, MISS.

I moved here 8 years ago. At that time there was no Baptist church at this place nor ever had been. About that time there was a few—seven in all—had gathered here. We organized a Baptist church, the Lord being our shepherd, and we are trying to follow in his footsteps. He has added to the fold until the membership is now about twenty. I have been pastor of this church for the last three years, but believing it best for myself and family, I have resigned the pastoral care and will move in a few days four miles south of Iuka. May God still bless the little church at Jacinto.

J. C. H.

Wisdom comes on talking about the decline of religion, and religion meanwhile goes on building up and tearing down empires. Religion dying in the world! And yet if you touch religion, or tread on religious convictions, a revolution will be kindled in twenty-four hours in any nation in Christendom, as fierce as that which deluged France with blood ninety years ago. Religion dying in America! The Americans are a very patient and wonderfully tolerant people, but touch them as to their religion, and quicker than they sprung to arms when Sumter was fired on, will bathe the land with blood and dragon teeth.—Lothair.

Go to Thos. Ferguson, Front street, Meridian, Miss., and get new machines, for the cash, at less than half of former prices. The Davis is still in the lead. Go and see them.

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LAYING UP TREASURES.

BY E. L. WESSON.

"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal. But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

By written request from two unknown persons, I write about the scripture given above. To properly understand the text we must start with the fact that Christ was speaking to his disciples. The admonition of the text is, therefore, to the Christian and not to the unconverted. Christ would never admonish the wicked to lay up treasures in heaven, but to be prepared for heaven. Those only who are sure of a home are justified in depositing treasures there. What is meant by treasures? Treasures are an abundance of something which the owner, at least, considers valuable, precious or good. Something we really enjoy.

First, learn from the text that a Christian may lay up, or gather around him, on earth, an abundance of things valuable and enjoyable. I say he may do so, many do, and he may let his heart upon his earthly treasures, so as to wear him away from the service of God and thoughts of heaven. Christ does not here condemn making money honestly, nor does he condemn laying up, or saving money; but he does condemn making anything earthly a hoarded treasure. Give God his portion—at least the tenth—of your earthly gains and the rest is yours, but not yours to hoard up, love and guard, as a miser; but yours to use for the good of yourself and others, knowing that all things earthly are perishable and that the only way to make them a blessing is to use them right. Notice the reasons for not laying up treasures on earth: 1. They depreciate in value from the effects of moth and rust. 2. They may be stolen, and so all your treasures will be gone. 3. They will consume your affection and time that you won't be as devoted to God as you should, nor as useful to men as you ought. And let me add, if they don't perish you will die, and consequently you and your treasures will have to part. If you make money, lay it out, "don't lay it up," lay it out so as to make more, and as you make, give liberally to the cause of Christ and humanity, and lay out the rest to make more to use and give.

Second, I learn that a Christian may lay up treasures in heaven, but all are admonished to do so. It is a good investment for several reasons: 1. The treasures are never injured by moth nor rust. 2. There is no danger of them being stolen. 3. Your treasures in heaven will attract your affections heavenward and thus enable you to become more and more Christ-like. You will notice that the text suggests that we can't "lay up treasures" in both countries. So we are left to our choice, as Christians, to have our treasures here or hereafter. If we lay them up here we leave them at death. If we lay them up in heaven we go to them when we die. But the idea of laying up treasures in heaven is a puzzle to some, for two reasons: 1. They think such a doctrine necessitates degrees in happiness among the saved. 2. They can't understand how the subjects of grace can have treasures to lay up in heaven. Let us look at the last point first. It is wonderful that poor, sinful beings are told to lay up treasures in so pure a place as heaven; but so it is. God saves us by his grace and then offers to reward us for what we do and suffer for his sake. Let us not think too much of the reward for we might fall into serving for a selfish motive and so lose all reward. Christ taught his disciples in Matthew 5:12, that those who were reviled and persecuted for his sake should have "great reward in heaven." Also he said to the young man (see Matt. 19:21), "Sell that thou hast and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven." While Christ was thus showing the young man that he was not saved and that his heart was on his earthly treasures, nevertheless it stands as truth that the Christian who sacrifices his earthly treasures for the poor, lays up treasures in heaven. The same is taught in Luke 12:33. Also in 1 Timothy 6:17-19. The idea of rewards, both now and hereafter, is clearly a Bible teaching. Paul wrote at the close of his life, "I have fought a good fight, I have kept the faith, I have finished my course; henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day; and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing." 2 Tim. 4:7-8. The same idea is found in that expression, "Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a crown of life." By suffering persecution, by sacrificing for others, by faithfulness to Christ, we, as Christians, lay up for ourselves treasures in heaven.

A word now about degrees in happiness. It is not ours to explain. Christ taught the doctrine without explaining, and we will do well to listen to his words and not cavil about what we imagine might be the results in the coming world. As to our salvation from sin we will all be equal, and equally happy, but some of the saved are laying up much greater treasures than others. Some are laying up here, and will have to leave all behind. Some are laying up there, and will receive treasures in heaven. Where should we lay up? If we lay up here, a few years we and our treasures must part. If we lay up there, though we have nothing here, we will receive in the future eternal treasures. We can't entirely eliminate selfishness from the idea of laying up treasures. If we "lay up treasures on earth," we do so to gratify self now, but if we lay up treasures in heaven, we sacrifice selfishness now for Christ's sake, and the help of humanity.

THE HOME MISSION BOARD.

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The Home Mission Board is passing through the most trying period of all its history.

In its efforts to sustain its work the Board finds its indebtedness increasing, until it is approaching a point where its exhausted credit can furnish no further help in supplementing the small contributions of our churches.

"Retrench," says one. That was suggested by our desire to disburden ourselves of labor and responsibility. We have tried it, and it won't work. The most urgent remonstrances have come back to us declaring that proposed reductions will paralyze, if not destroy, promising work on which much time and money have been expended, and that they must not be made. That such a blunder would be a crime against the Master's cause and the multitudes perishing without Christ.

We have nearly four hundred missionaries in our employ. For the most part they are consecrated, self-sacrificing men, enduring with their families, unusual hardships and privations. Their small salaries scarcely procure the common necessities of life. To withdraw support from them would entail on many of them and their wives and children absolute suffering. Humanity forbids the reduction of these meagre sums. But to sustain them the Board must have speedy and liberal help.

While in these trying times unusual efforts have been made to help many of our State Boards, and about \$25,000 have been contributed to pay the debt of our Foreign Mission Board, our Home Board has not shared in these extra contributions. We have never asked for special contributions in aid of our general work. We have sometimes asked them for a few dollars.

In New Orleans and Havana, but for general purposes we have always been content to rely upon the usual contributions of the churches. But we now urge that these contributions be as speedy and as liberal as possible.

We ask that every pastor will strive to increase the usual contribution of his people, not so much by enlarging amounts from those who are accustomed to give, as by increasing the number of givers.

We must have Thirty Thousand Dollars by the last of April to meet the requirements of the present conventional year. This sum will be divided as equitably as possible among the States, and the best endeavors will be made to secure it.

We shall have the co-operation of our Vice-Presidents, of our denominational papers, of the Corresponding Secretaries of many of our State Boards, of many of our wisest and ablest brethren, and of the Women's Societies of our churches. With such helpers, and the divine blessing, we confidently expect this task will be completed by the meeting of the Convention in May.

I. T. THORNTON.

AFLOAT ON THE DEEP.

DEAR BRO. HACKETT:—We are just now nearing the Grand Canary Island. We are to have something over two weeks yet before the voyage is over. The Atlantic Transport Line, by which we sailed from New York, gave us tickets for something less than the other lines, but necessitated our going to London instead of Liverpool, and required about a week more time. Then the steamers sailing for the south coast reach Lagos about a week earlier than those for the west coast of Africa; so our waiting for a south coaster, let us have about a week in England. On the Atlantic Steamer we had a company of six Southern Methodist missionaries going to India. On this one we have a part of the eight missionaries of the united brethren (U. S. A.) denomination going to the west coast of Africa near Sierra Leone. In each case we have enjoyed very pleasant company. We praise the Lord that he has kept us as he has, and prospered our going thus far.

Before leaving the States we fell into the hands of Dr. Williamson and the Virginia Baptists, and enjoyed several days in the meeting of the General Association of that State at Alexandria.

In England our time was spent in London where we heard an able and good sermon at the tabernacle by Thos. Spurgeon, and one at night by Dr. Jas. Parker at the Congregational Temple. On Thursday evening we attended

the annual meeting of Spurgeon's Pastor's College. Heard quite a number of fine addresses. One was by an "American Brother," A. H. Stout, of Kansas. Thos. Spurgeon showed himself a sure enough tactician, by a most excellent and sparkling address on the subject of "Facts." He did the tabernacle congregation seem to be opening up finely.

The Cabenda sailed from Liverpool last Saturday and is due at Lagos on the 31st of this month. I trust that we may reach that port in good time, and that the Lord may continue with us in his work there even as he has never done before. With fraternal regards and best wishes, yours for the Master's service,

W. T. LUMLEY.

OUR SUNDAY-SCHOOL BOARD AND ITS WORK.

DEAR BRO. BAILEY:—I am very much obliged to you for your kind offer to give me the space needed in which to say some things concerning our Sunday-School Board and its work. I gladly avail myself of the privilege. There are many things which I could say, but will limit myself to a few.

1. Since the formation of the South, through a series of Conventions in the Southern Baptist Convention, organized a Sunday-School Board and instructed it to form a Sunday-School Board for the South, which would seem that the same ought, as a matter of course, to encourage this Board their proper support. If not, they are imposing a heavy burden on the members put to do this work.

2. This board, acting for the South, has had a beginning into competition from an old, wealthy organization, with hundreds of thousands of dollars, which is continually calling on people for money for its work, and which evidently would crush out all rivals and establish a monopoly for the public.

3. Yet, brought into competition with this great moneyed institution, our sixty years old, board, although not yet four years old, has won a large business in S. D. C. literature, and has given a nomination a sort of its own.

4. Not only so, but in the three and a half years of its existence, the board has not only met out of its own expenses, but has given \$10,000 to its business profits, over \$10,000 to the Sunday-School work, and the work in our foreign field. In the work in our foreign field, the board has never asked one cent of any body for its work.

5. In its work it has no policy, but in its own prospectus, it has sought in every way to advance the interests of all the boards of our country, giving missionary information, and our Sunday-School school from a creating and fostering this missionary spirit. Who is it that has this for our mission work? Carried this year arranged for and Sunday-School, which will Foreign the two Boards, Home and dollars at least seven thousand profit to that without a cent of sort of work for us?

6. Some sneers have been cast at the board because it does not own its own presses, etc., but its printing, but gives as well as printing by contract. It did complain of three year strength because he hasn't the strength of a man of the same strength in this country. More and more great publishers are doing contract—having that done by the American Baptist Publishing Society was organized in the twenties, and yet it has its own plant until some of its friends—as I have known some to do—seek to cast a slur on our board because we do our own plant, they forget that Southern Baptists stand on our own board and it will not be years old, nor twenty, before its own plant.

7. Previous to the establishment of our Kind Words Series, the Home Board, in 1885, I have been able to learn, were even the opportunity to do so. Nobody seemed to know that we had such work. About that time, ever, somebody discovered there was a man in Richmond, Va., who could do such work—he had been doing it in Words—and ever since, one of our men who was trained

training school of the Southern periodicals, has been given a high place elsewhere. And it has been to the credit of our series that it has found a number of our own Southern men who can do as good work along these lines as any, East, West, North or South.

8. In all its operations, our board, representing the high Christian integrity of the South, has carefully abstained from any measure for furthering its interests which in the least degree smacked of trickery or questionable business methods. And, moreover, it has pursued a policy of peace. It has gone on its way, in the fear of God and with an honest desire to serve the brethren, and has let people say what they would. And God has blessed the work. It has grown and is growing, and unless present indications fail of realization, will continue to grow and yet do a great work for our Lord. If anybody wants to fight it, they can fight on, and not be fought back. If anybody wants to sneer at it, well and good, it can stand it. If anybody wants to cast slurs at it, they can do it with safety. As long as the brethren of the South are true to it, and God continues his favor to it, all will be well with it. And these are blessings it is enjoying now.

Again thanking you for your kindness which the Recorder has shown our board and its work, I remain,

Yours very truly,

T. P. BELL, C. S. S. Bd., in the Biblical Recorder.

GOOD WILL.

DEAR BRO. HACKETT:—I have just finished reading your New Year's issue. How glad and sad it makes me. It was brimming with good things about fields and people very dear to me. What an ingathering on the coast. It is unusual and very encouraging to those who have for many years sown beside the many waters there.

Then that service at Magnolia. That church has learned the true and only secret of success—giving and giving for Jesus' sake. Would that all the churches could catch the gospel idea, I am greatly interested in Pastor Price. The good cheer of this week's RECORD is a tonic for a sick man. Sick as I am, trying to help so many that I can't help at all. Reader, if you love peace and comfort avoid cities. Think of hundreds of people living in rented houses, without fire or food, such weather as we have had. Who could rest and know of the like right at his door?

But THE RECORD tells me of the burning at Clinton. Poor Brother and Sister Hughes, my heart goes out to them. I have no words as my sympathies for them in their sudden and terrible bereavement. "My grace is sufficient" was spoken a long time ago to a tried soul, and has been good for all the saints from Paul to us. Nothing in such a time is sufficient but grace. And Brother and Sister Webb, I know how they will bear the loss, like the ripe Christians they are. But we must enter into their troubles. Your editorial will find response in thousands of hearts.

I believe, and have believed, that Mississippi Baptists ought to follow a good custom of people elsewhere and present to President Webb a memorial in testimony of appreciation of long and unusually valuable service. When could such a pleasant duty be better performed than now? If you or any one else should think as I do, and take the matter in hand, remember that there are some Mississippians in Georgia.

The death of Eld. H. D. White removes from the ranks of workers as faithful a man as I have known in life. No man within my acquaintance ever made better use of his endowments. No man was freer from envy and selfishness. He lived to serve and found happiness in duty. This is the best there is for any of us. We were warm friends. I loved him warmly, he loved me, I know he did. He was a man to count on to the utmost of his ability. Let me turn back and say a word about the Christy Springs church. That is a remarkable church for one thing. It always builds its pastors up and never pulls them down. Some other churches do just the other way. I notice they are going on their good way. Happy Ah! Such a church will make any preacher much higher.

Brother Sproule writes me that they are in their new house of worship. Good, very good. If that house is used properly it will be of great service to Mississippi Baptists. There ought now to be a drawing of things to it.

I shall not write you any Georgia news. This is the outgiving of my heart towards the people I love. God give THE RECORD editors and all the brethren and sisters in Mississippi a happy New Year.

J. B. GAMBRILL.

Mercer University, Macon, Ga.

SOME SCRAPS.

DEAR RECORD:—The holidays have come and gone and we are here yet. That is, some of us are here. Some of us are not here, for we have gone—gone on account of—I started to say, examinations, but boys leave at certain seasons, certain things will creep into one's

mind—things that have no business there, maybe. But still it remains, "Some of us have gone," and some of us of Mississippi. A few weeks ago Bro. C. D. Anderson withdrew from the Seminary on account of ill health. He is not far away, however. He is blessed with the shepherding of some of the Lord's chosen so, he is out with them.

Bro. W. J. Derrick went last evening. He lands in Mississippi at Okolona. By the help of higher strength he is going to feed the Lord's saints there. With the help of the Lord and his training at this place and elsewhere he can do it. Our chief is not in the best of health again, but guess he will be better soon.

Examinations are fully on and the boys are trying to put into practice the injunction of one of old: "Having done all, to stand." Jun. Heb. claimed the attention of some of the 2nd and last Theo., that of other to-day. There will be two weeks until this month and the first part of February are over. All agree these are "trying times," which "very men's souls." The common verdict is they are good for us, although they are bitter pills. But still can't you sympathize with us a little? You, and the good people of Mississippi. Of course you will. Thank you.

J. E. PHILLIPS.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 4, 1895.

FROM OUR NATION'S CAPITAL.

POTIOTIC AND PATRIOTIC DESCRIPTION—A VIEW FROM THE SOLDIER'S HOME.

The milestones of memory clustering around the National Capitol are rich with historic lore, and refreshing to the tourists from every land and clime.

Stand with me for a moment at the Scott Statue on the heights of the National Soldier's Home, to the north of Washington, as the slanting beams of evening irradiate the scene. Far to the right and west the rolling hills of the Old Dominion lift their pine-clad crests over the troubled waters of the upper Potomac; and on a near view the towers and turrets of the Jesuit University shine over Georgetown Heights like Alpine sentinels guarding the vale below.

The forest trees of Oak Hill and Arlington cemeteries nod their heads to the beholder while the winds of nature sigh a mournful requiem over the citizens and soldier who have gone into camp on the upland slopes of Omphalos.

Oak Hill contains the dust of many illustrious men. Chase, Governor, Secretary of the Treasury and Chief Justice of the United States sleep there until moved to the Massorets, those indefatigable copyists and editors of the Old Testament MSS., of the formation of the Septuagint, of the origin of the Samaritan Pentateuch, and of the different versions of the Old Testament. He also gives a very interesting account of the finding of the great Sinaitic Codex by Tischendorf at the Monastery of St. Catherine.

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banks of the pellucid Potomac, and you see a long, dark line, spanning its flashing waters, and, perhaps, a rapid railroad train rumbling over crumbling timbers of the historic Long Bridge. Could this bridge talk a story it could tell of the hopes and fears of those beaten Union soldiers who crossed its staggering pliers in July, 1861, while the echo of cannon from Bull Run rang in their ears.

Look at the swelling dome of the white Capitol; the great monumental marble pile, erected to the memory of the Father of his Country, and lifting its head 555 feet to the azure sky; and the State, War and Navy Department buildings are among the chief landmarks that meet the vision. Then behold the great green squares, parks, circles, angles and the long shaded avenues sweeping away from the horizon, and the traveler has some idea of the possibilities of Washington a thousand years hence, when the bright flag of the Great Republic shall light up the pathway of mankind and guarantee universal suffrage and home rule to the whole world.

A thousand years my own Columbia, a thousand years to rule the vast, a thousand years of law and order, a thousand years of mind and might! CATO.

The Parchments of the Faith. By Rev. Geo. E. Merrill. 12mo, 285 pp. Price, \$1.25 Philadelphia: American Baptist Publication Society, 1420 Chestnut Street.

The demand it is said regulates the supply. On the other hand may it not be that sometimes the supply creates the demand? Possibly both of these influences have been at work to increase the number of books bearing on the study and larger knowledge of the sacred scriptures. Never probably has the Bible received such careful and critical study as obtains at the present time, and this not only among the scholarly but also among the comparatively unlearned. Over against this can be placed the correlative fact that never has there been such a supply of works containing the sources of knowledge and furnishing the requisites for critical examination of the inspired word. And the one has operated with the other—in the one case to stimulate an impulse and in the other to increase the works where it may be met. A new candidate for popular favor among these works is "The Parchments of the Faith," by Rev. Geo. E. Merrill.

In a singularly luminous and direct style Mr. Merrill tells us of the manuscripts of the Old and New Testaments from which our present perfect copies of the scriptures are made. We read in his

the Massorets, those indefatigable copyists and editors of the Old Testament MSS., of the formation of the Septuagint, of the origin of the Samaritan Pentateuch, and of the different versions of the Old Testament. He also gives a very interesting account of the finding of the great Sinaitic Codex by Tischendorf at the Monastery of St. Catherine.

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ways adorns one corner of the apartment. As sideboard ornaments there are pretty trifles in the way of a peacock of precious stones, valued at £50,000, and a tiger's head from India with a solid ingot of gold for its tongue, and diamond teeth.—Exchange.

As stated by Dr. Harvey, the Baptist Book Concern has about \$50,000 worth of books in stock. As books are a luxury, the Concern feels that the stock is too large for it to carry. It requires too much room, too much force, and is too much expense every way. It is anxious to reduce the stock to about \$20,000, and to glad to learn that the other departments of the Book Concern are doing well, and have done so. Since the company started, it is stated, the circulation of the Western Recorder has doubled. The order department for books has at least quadrupled, and the publishing department is more than could have been expected. The general affairs of the Concern are said to be in a solid condition, so much so that it has been able during the hard times to discount all bills that would bear any discount. It is determined, however, to reduce its general and miscellaneous stock of books so as to cut off expenses in that direction, and put the Concern on a still more solid basis. This will be an excellent opportunity, we imagine, to secure some good books cheap. Write to the Baptist Book Concern, Louisville, Ky.—Baptist & Redactor.

German Cure La Grippe.

A CITY MISSIONARY.

Rev. J. W. Howard, Baptist City Missionary, Columbus, Ga., says: "Some months ago I had an attack of La Grippe which produced Catarrh in my head and general prostration. I used King's Royal Gernetur and it wrought a wonderful cure in my case. I had indigestion and it cured that also. I have recommended it to several persons afflicted with different diseases and it has always produced the happiest results."

A CHICAGO MUSICIAN.

Prof. D. C. McAllister, vocal teacher, studio Chickering Hall, residence 446 E. 45th street, Chicago, says: "After suffering with La Grippe and its effects for over a year I was induced to try Gernetur, which I did with the most satisfactory results. I do not hesitate to pronounce it a great remedy."

CURED LA GRIPPE TWICE.

Mr. W. H. Poole, deacon First Baptist church, Mt. Vernon, Ill., says: "Last winter I had a spell of La Grippe which lasted me nearly all winter. After trying various remedies, I used a bottle of Royal Gernetur, which cured me after all else failed. I was attacked again this winter with La Grippe, and Gernetur cured me again. I used no other medicine."

AN ALABAMA EDITOR.

Col. A. H. Keller, editor and proprietor of the North Alabamian, Tuscaloosa, Ala., says: "I very cheerfully bear testimony to the merits of King's Royal Gernetur, based upon the use of it in my family for indigestion, Catarrh and insomnia, and by myself for the sequelae of Grippe. It is very pleasant to the taste, improves the appetite and is exhilarating in its general effects."

LA GRIPPE AND NIGHT SWEATS.

Mr. Andrew Keck, of Keck & Bacon, leading dry goods dealers of Evansville, Ind., writes: "I was taken with grip and at the solicitation of a friend used Royal Gernetur and do not hesitate to say that it is a wonderful remedy. In two days I was able to make my spring trip to New York. I was also troubled with night sweats, and using Gernetur have escaped that also. I find it a splendid appetizer and keep a bottle in my room at all times."

GRIPPE CURED IN THREE DAYS.

Mr. L. Stuart, Atlanta, Ga., says: "In January last I had a violent attack of La Grippe. I was advised to try Dr. King's Royal Gernetur, which cured me in three days. I was again attacked with the Grippe this month, November, and again cured myself with Gernetur more quickly than before."

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DEAR RECORD:—I have just one more paper in reply to Mr. Carey, and I reserve that till next week. This will give time to rest before the final charge.
The year opens propitiously with us.
Fraternally,
O. L. Hasley,
Oxford, Miss., Jan. 1, 1895.
DEAR RECORD:—While brethren are calling attention to good things that are being given in THE RECORD, may I not call attention to the short article from Bro. Dees in the last number?
I have been reading THE RECORD for sixteen years, and I never have seen anything in it that contained more common sense, law and gospel, I don't remember it.
Yours truly,
Hattiesburg, Miss., Jan. 11, 1895.

CARRIAGE CATALOGUE.
The Alliance Carriage Co., of Cincinnati, O., will send the complete catalogue of vehicles and harness, showing over 100 different styles of vehicles, from a road cart or farm wagon to the finest pleasure carriage one's taste can suggest. Also an endless variety of harness, ranging in price from \$5.00 upwards. If you have not had this catalogue send for it now—its free.
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JACKSON, MISS., JANUARY 22, 1895.
The Mobile & Ohio railroad will sell excursion tickets to Jackson, Miss., for the above occasion at one fare for the round trip from all stations bet. Shubuta and Corinth, Miss. Tickets will be sold Jan. 21, 22, and 23, good for return until January 25.
Mobile, Ala., Jan. 9, 1895.

FROM KENTUCKY.
DEAR RECORD:—Happy New Year to you and to your many readers. The year that has just closed with all its responsibilities, improved and unimproved opportunities, is truly a thing of the past. A New Year, with its new responsibilities is upon us. God grant that we as his servants may have new desires to accomplish new results during this New Year, in his service. In my meetings and services held with the churches, New Albany, Ind., Salem, Ind., and other places, I have vision, I had so much of the spirit of discussion and indifference that my heart is constrained to cry out, "How long, O Lord, how long will thou withhold judgment?"
I went to a city not long ago to hold a meeting, but found them in a perfect stew over their rich deacons who had not spoken in six or eight years, except in two fights they have had. The church has them arraigned to appear in answer to the charge of "Non-fellowship." I am wondering what will be the result. It is evident that the church and the deacons too are dead and will remain so until the Lord kills them. Two stubborn deacons of the church has courage enough to turn them out.

To all churches that have disturbances caused by mutton-headed moneyed men, short-horned deacons, two-bit Sunday School superintendents rule or ruin parishes, key-drinking and ball-going members will say that now is a good time to take a new start. At the beginning of the year, 1895, put yourself on the righteous record at

whatever cost. It is the dead weight that kills the team and stalls the wagon. God bless THE RECORD and all the Mississippi churches.
G. W. RILEY,
Louisville, Ky.
MARRIED.
At McCordy, Miss., on Dec. 12, at 7:30 p. m., Dr. C. D. Davis, formerly of Okla., and Miss Mollie Aycock, a grand daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McCordy, the Rev. Charles Loveloy officiating.

At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. T. B. Keeton, Grenada county, Miss., at 9:30 a. m., Dec. 26, 1894, Mr. J. E. Bowen to Miss Ellen Trussell, T. B. Williamson officiating.
At the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Evans, Grenada county, Miss., at 2 o'clock p. m., Dec. 30, 1894, Mr. A. M. Bowen to Miss Cora Evans, T. B. Williamson officiating.
May many blessings attend their happy union.
T. B. W.

At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. W. W. Trussell, Grenada county, Miss., at 3 o'clock p. m., Dec. 26, 1894, Mr. J. E. Bowen to Miss Ellen Trussell, T. B. Williamson officiating.
At the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Evans, Grenada county, Miss., at 2 o'clock p. m., Dec. 30, 1894, Mr. A. M. Bowen to Miss Cora Evans, T. B. Williamson officiating.
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On Christmas day, 1894, at 2:30 p. m., at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. A. C. Free, of Riesel, Texas, and Miss Fannie Bolls, of Northeast Copiah, Rev. I. H. Anding, officiating. Mr. True returns to Texas with his handsome bride. Such marked appreciation as was given by this Texas friend and his Miss Fannie to the officiating minister on this Christmas day will long be remembered, with exceeding pleasure.
I. H. A.

On the 20th of Jan., 1895, at the bride's home in Copiah, Rev. D. H. S. Cox, of Friar's Point, Miss., and Miss Mary Cox, Rev. I. H. Anding, solemnizing the rites. Rev. Mr. Cox returns well equipped with his fair bride to his field of work with the Friar's Point Baptist church. We wish these servants of Christ many years of usefulness in their new work.
I. H. A.

Thursday, December 20, 1894, the Fifteenth Avenue Baptist church was tastefully decorated and brilliantly lighted at 8 p. m., for the marriage of Miss Annie Lee Brooks, of this city, to Mr. W. J. Price. The bridal party entered in perfect order and arranged themselves according to the program. Pastor W. J. David, assisted by Dr. Bozeman, former pastor of the church, officiating in an unusually interesting ceremony. It is needless to say that the house was crowded to its utmost capacity. Repeating to the elegant home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Brockshire, the immediate attendants and a few relatives, were royally entertained, while extending hearty congratulations to the happy couple. Among the presents was a handsome set of furniture by the co-workers of the groom, in the postoffice department; a magnificent bridal cake from the establishment of Mr. Joe Crane, confectionary, Memphis, and chairs, tables and table ware, clocks and other useful and ornamental articles too numerous to mention, all of which were all highly appreciated; especially as Mr. Price has a new residence hard by, nearly completed, to which he expects to take his bride very soon.
D.

DIED.
Died, at his country home in Amite county, Miss., Nov. 26, 1894, Bro. James C. Dixon, aged 49 years. He was sick long and suffered much, but on Monday morning, as the sun was rising and filling the world with his golden rays of beauty, he crossed over and rested on the other shore. Mrs. Gordon and Bates, relatives, including the Christy Willford Lee, and a host of friends attended him to the last. The writer visited him on Sunday afternoon before his death and talked, read from God's word and prayed, after which he expressed no fear of death, but rather gloried in the fact that his assistance was so bright. "Nothing stands in my way," Bro. Lee, I am going to heaven," he said, and told his family all his business and gave directions for the future respecting them, and then fell on sleep." In his

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Christian life he was troubled with doubt, but in death the Lord drove them all away and made his spiritual sky clear, and the way of death plain. What blessedness there is in the Christian hope.
He was a member of Eastfork church, and on the Lord's Day sat in his pew and heard the gospel gladly. No man ever attended the old historic church of Eastfork gave more attention to preaching than Bro. James Dixon. He prayed in public when called on, but felt his unworthiness, and time and again made mention of it in prayer-meeting talks before the church. Good man, devoted husband, kind father, generous neighbor and consistent member of the church. He is gone. God bless his memory. I look across on the other side and see my congregation gathering—gone to their rest.
On Nov. 27 we laid him to rest in the Lea Cemetery, at Huron, where some of the once great of the earth sleep. Here is Mother Clay's tomb, who while living in Virginia was fined ten dollars for being a Baptist. The sainted Hampton Lea, who was once the strong stay of Eastfork church, is resting here, from his labors and his works are following him. Everetts, Richmonds, Leas and a host of others all waiting to meet Bro. Dixon, and the coming of the last.
J. H. LANE.

WILLIAM A. MOORE.
When our brethren fall at their posts, nobly battling for the Master's cause, it is proper and fitting that public mention should be made of their virtues. This is written in memory of William A. Moore, a deacon of the Columbus church, who died at a sanitarium in Chattanooga, Tenn., Dec. 3, 1894. It is commonly remarked that men converted in mature manhood rarely make active members of our churches. To this rule Bro. Moore was a notable exception. He joined the church in 1886, and so earnest was his piety, and so complete his consecration that he was elected and ordained a deacon within little more than a year. His modesty and sense of unworthiness, as well as his love of the church, in everything he put his obligation to his God and his church first. He loved all the services of his church and was regular in his attendance at preaching, at the prayer-meeting, at the Sunday School. He loved God's word, and loved to talk religion. Never did the writer know a man to develop so rapidly as a Christian. In a few brief years he grew to the stature of a full grown man in Christ Jesus. He was a brother to his pastor, who knew he could always count on Bro. Moore's co-operation in everything that pertained to the furtherance of the gospel. He was wise in counsel, prudent in speech, zealous in action. Bro. Moore's death is a loss to his church, to the Association and to the cause of Christ.
Bro. Moore was married in 1886 to Miss Annie E. Bush, of Noxubee county, who is left to mourn his loss.
A FRIEND.

In DeSoto, Clarke county, Miss., Dec. 7, 1894, Mrs. Margaret Sumrall, aged 79 years, 4 months and 5 days.
Death comes to the aged Christian as night comes to the weary child. Tired of play, its only wish is to lie down and sleep. So it was with Sister Sumrall. After the trials and afflictions of nearly four score years—her earthly work completed—death came as the hour of rest—sweet rest, forevermore. Sister Sumrall joined the Hezibee Baptist church, the oldest church in Clarke county, in 1897, soon after its organization. For fifty-seven years she lived a consistent Christian life, and now, while her body sleeps in the quiet church-yard at dear old Hezibee, her spirit rejoices in the mansions above.
J. M. PHILLIPS,
Shubuta, Miss., Jan. 2, 1895.

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